Table 8: U.S. Export Sales Summary 1/

U.S. export sales in December1998 were down significantly from November 1998 and December 1997. Upland cotton sales for delivery in MY 1998/99 during December 3- December 31, 1998 (4 weeks) registered net sales of 87,900 running bales, a weekly average of 21,975 bales. In MY 1997/98, Upland sales during November 28 - January 1, 1998 (5 weeks) registered a net of 839,400 running bales, a weekly average of 167,880 bales. The weekly upland export average through December 31 for MY 1998/99 was 106,832 running bales against MY 1997/98's weekly export average of 132,000 running bales and the five year average of 127,000 bales. Accumulated exports through December 31 for MY 1998/99 were 2.35 million compared with 2.30 million running bales last year. Total upland outstanding sales for MY 1998/99 were 1.18 million running bales compared with 3.66 million the same time a year ago. Upland commitments to date were 3.53 million bales compared with 5.96 million bales last year. Although Pima export sales during December 3 - December 31, for delivery during MY 1998/99 totaled 17,700 running bales, total net sales were -1,300 running bales, during the same period. Pima exports through December 31 for MY 1998/99 totaled 57,100 running bales, compared with 126,600 running bales from the same time a year ago, while total Pima commitments amounted to 229,000 running bales.

U.S. Cotton Export Sales For 4 -Week Period December 3 - December 31 MY 1998/99 (1,000 Running Bales)					
Region/Country	Pima	All Upland	Upland		
			>1-1/16"	1" to 1-1/16"	< 1"
European Union ^{2/}	2.3	5.9	3.3	2.6	0.0
Other Western Europe	0.0	-2.8	-2.8	0.0	0.0
Eastern Europe	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Former Soviet Union	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Japan	-1.7	-11.3	-8.8	0.7	-3.3
Taiwan	0.0	16.9	14.2	2.3	0.4
China	0.0	-1.0	1.2	-1.3	0.0
Korea Republic	0.0	1.2	-3.6	4.9	0.0
India	0.6	-2.3	0.0	-2.3	0.0
Other Asia & Oceania	-2.5	89.4	83.3	6.2	0.0
Africa	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
Western Hemisphere	0.0	-3.3	-0.9	-5.4	3.0
Total Unknown	<u>-0.2</u>	<u>-5.7</u>	<u>-5.7</u>	0.0	0.0
Total Net Sales	-1.3	87.9	80.2	7.6	0.1

Note: Totals may not add due to rounding.

Source: USDA/FAS

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¹/ Total Net Sales includes 691,700 running bales of Upland and 40,700 of Pima carryover from MY 1997/98.

² European Union refers to the group of 15 countries formerly known as the European Community.